

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Michael G. Kayras's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Kayras devoted more than 23 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in engineering, including service in Iraq and many state activations in support of fire-fighting operations and blizzards, and he has been awarded the South Dakota Medal for Valor; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Kayras continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Michael G. Kayras for more than 23 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

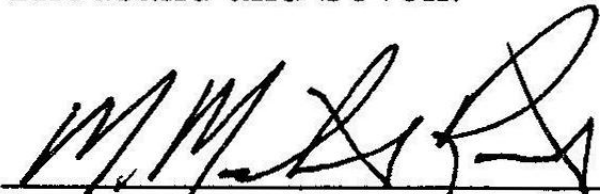
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 12, 2007, as

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS MICHAEL G. KAYRAS DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State